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Thanks for a successful event! Without your help and unwavering dedication, Les Girls would not have been possible. On behalf of the hundreds of organizations and tens of thousands of individuals who are members of NBCC,

Our Gratitude & Appreciation!

A Letter from Fran

Dear Friends,

Welcome to Les Girls 2025! Thank you for being a part of this special evening, dedicated to ending breast cancer. Now more than ever, we are grateful for your support and commitment to NBCC's mission.

Many thanks to our extraordinary Event Committee, our generous sponsors, our gifted volunteer performers, and our creative production team.

Les Girls shows what is possible when passionate, talented people join forces to create meaningful change. That is a hallmark of NBCC's work: a collaborative approach, bringing together advocates, researchers, and supporters to influence the health care, research, and policy systems that affect our mission of ending breast cancer.

Today, that spirit of collaboration is more important than ever. The current challenges we face are unprecedented. Evidence-based health care and science are under attack. The programs,

policies, and funding that provide care to breast cancer patients, ensure health coverage, and fund lifesaving research face significant cuts.

NBCC and our trained breast cancer advocates are pushing back on these threats to our mission, but we will all be affected. We all must fight back. Together, we can and will protect our progress, change systems, and save lives.

On behalf of the hundreds of breast cancer organizations and tens of thousands of advocates who are part of NBCC, thank you for your continued partnership during these difficult times. We cannot end breast cancer without you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fran Visco". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Fran Visco
President, NBCC



Arleen Sorkin
October 14, 1955 - August 24, 2023

In memory of Arleen Sorkin

Your incredible wit, boundless creativity, and great sense of humor, combined with your unwavering dedication and deep compassion, have left an indelible mark on our hearts.

Your legacy will forever inspire us.

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LEADERSHIP

Fran Visco, JD

PRESIDENT



Fran Visco, a more than 30-year breast cancer survivor, is the president of the National Breast Cancer Coalition (NBCC) and a member of its board of directors.

Ms. Visco is an honors graduate of Villanova Law School, where she was an editor of *The Villanova Law Review* and a chair of the Women's Law Caucus.

In recognition of Ms. Visco's leadership and contributions to breast cancer advocacy, she has received numerous awards and honors, including the Presidential Citizens Medal, the second highest civilian award in the United States. Other awards range from Glamour Woman of the Year, to honorary doctorates, to the AACR Outstanding Achievement Award in Public Service, Cancer Research, and Advocacy.

President Clinton appointed Ms. Visco to three terms as one of three members of the President's Cancer Panel; she was the first consumer to chair the Integration Panel of the Department of Defense Peer-Reviewed Breast Cancer Research Program; Ms. Visco co-chaired the National Action Plan on Breast Cancer and served on the National Cancer Policy Board.

She is a member of the board of directors of Translational Research in Oncology, an international non-profit clinical trials consortium.

Ms. Visco has been appointed to several Institute of Medicine (IOM) panels and served as a member of the IOM Roundtable on Evidence Based Medicine. She is a previous member of the board of directors of Women's Way in Philadelphia, the nation's oldest and largest women's funding federation.

Dennis Slamon, M.D., Ph.D.



Dr. Dennis Slamon received his Ph.D. in cell biology and M.D. from the University of Chicago in 1975. His Ph.D. work involved the study of the Kirsten sarcoma virus in the laboratories of Dr. Winston Anderson and Werner Kirsten at that university. After graduation, he went on to complete his internship, residency and chief residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Chicago Hospitals and Clinics then went on to complete his specialty training in Hematology and Oncology at UCLA.

He joined the faculty of medicine at UCLA in 1982 where he now serves as Chief of the Division of Hematology/Oncology in the Department of Medicine and Director for the Division of Clinical/Translational Research at UCLA's Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center. He has published more than 270 scientific papers in the area of cancer research. He began his studies on the genes and molecular pathways involved in cancer with his initial work on the expression of these genes in a variety of human malignancies in 1984 published in *Science* that year. Subsequent early research involved the identification characterization of the proteins encoded by known cancer causing genes in order to better understand how they initiated and/or were involved in the malignant process.

He is best known for his work studying the HER2 gene and the role it plays in one of the most aggressive forms of breast cancer. He led some of the initial

preclinical and ultimately clinical research that resulted in the breakthrough treatment, trastuzumab (Herceptin) that is now used worldwide to treat the 20% of human breast cancers in which this pathway is involved. His most recent work resulted in the approval of a new class of agents to treat the most common type of breast cancer, those that are hormonally driven. This class of agents inhibits the cdk-4/6 pathway which is critical in these particular breast cancers and accounts for some 60-65% of this disease. His laboratory has now expanded their research work into identifying new and novel therapies for a number of other human malignancies including ovarian, pancreatic, colorectal and lung cancers.

He has received numerous national and international awards for his research including the Albert & Hinda Rosenthal Award from the AACR in 1999, the Salk Translational Research Award from UCSD, the Bristol-Myers-Squibb Millennium Award in 2000, the Dorothy P. Landon Award from the AACR in 2003, the American Cancer Society Medal of Honor in 2004, the Karnofsky Award from ASCO in 2006, the Lister Award from the University of Glasgow in 2006, the Gairdner Foundation International Award for Research in 2007, the Warren Alpert Foundation Award from Harvard Medical School in 2007, the MTTC International Award for Molecular Targeted Therapy in 2013, the Hope Fund for Cancer Research Award in 2013, the Sjöberg Prize from the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, the Lasker-DeBakey Clinical Medical Research Award in 2019, and Szent-Györgyi Prize for Progress in Cancer Research in 2024.



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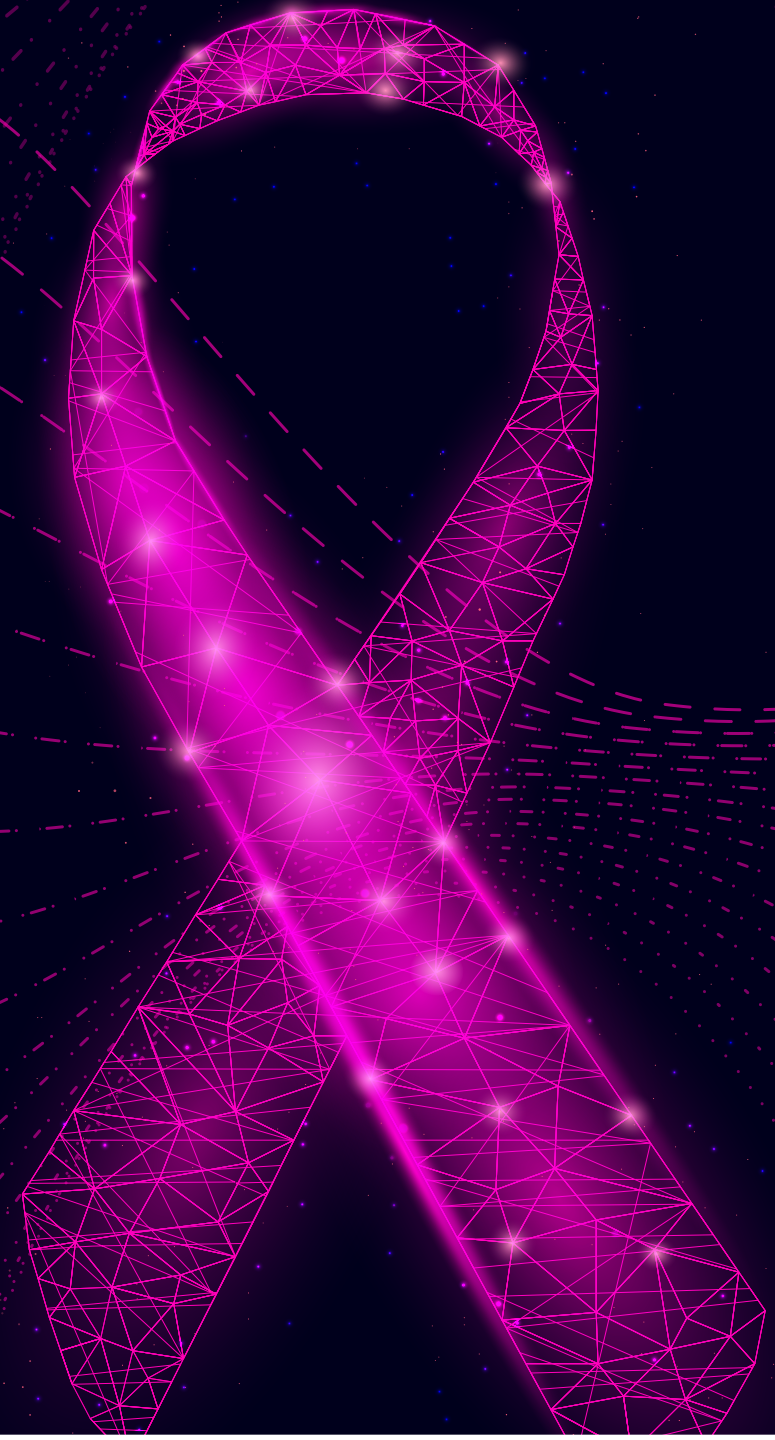
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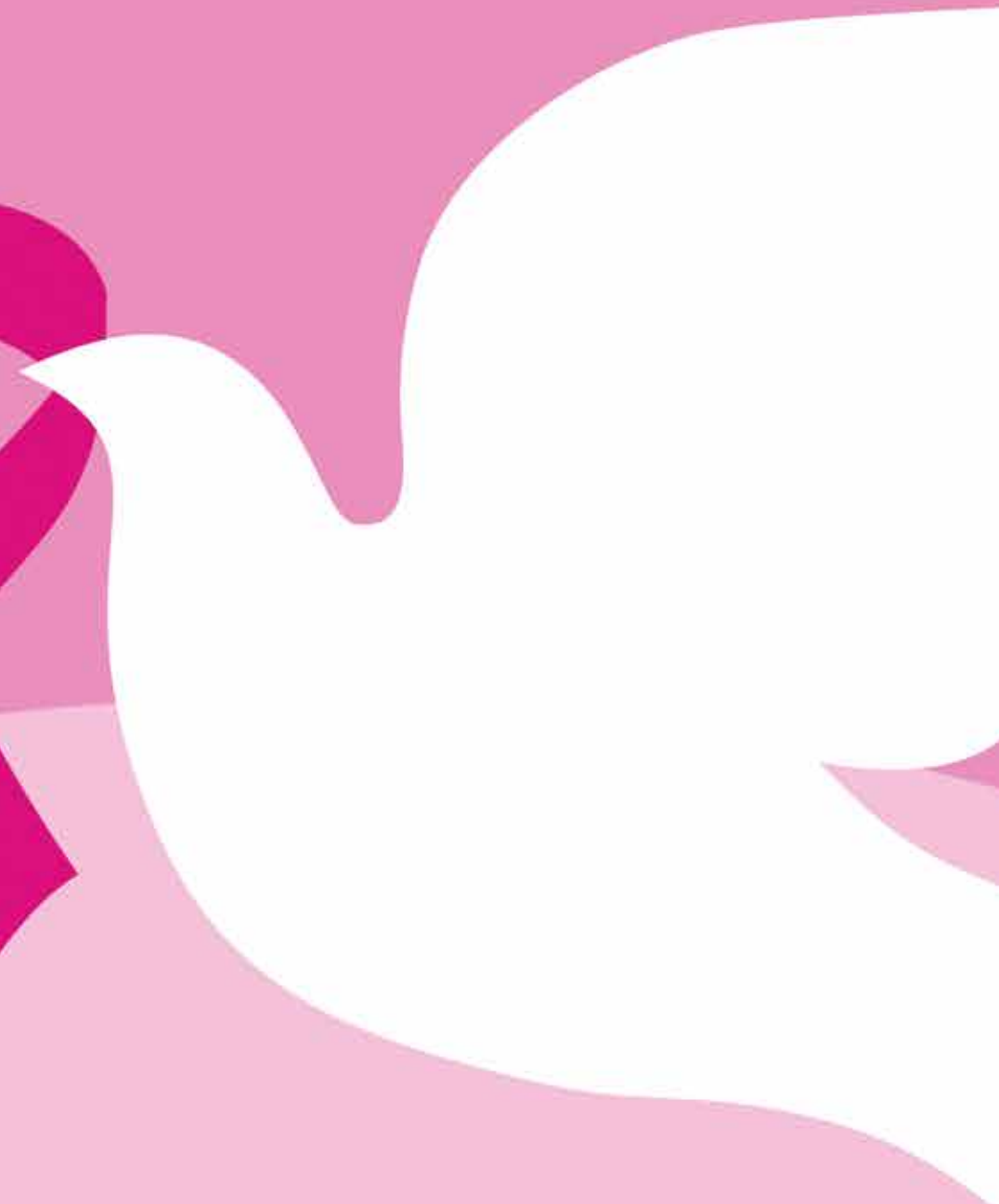
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(as of October 16, 2025)



OUR MISSION: TO END BREAST CANCER THROUGH THE POWER OF ACTION AND ADVOCACY.

Founded in 1991, the National Breast Cancer Coalition is a collaboration of activists, survivors, researchers, policymakers, grassroots groups, and national organizations that have come together as disruptive innovators for social change.

NBCC links hundreds of organizations and tens of thousands of individuals from across the country in a dynamic, diverse coalition that gives breast cancer a meaningful voice in Washington, DC, and state capitals; in laboratories and health care institutions; and in local communities everywhere.

Visit stopbreastcancer.org to learn more.

Historic highlights

1991: NBCC, a collaboration of activists, survivors, researchers, policymakers, and grassroots and national organizations, is founded.



1993: NBCC grassroots advocates deliver more than 2.6 million signatures on a petition to President Clinton, sparking the launch of the National Action Plan on Breast Cancer.



1995: NBCC holds the first Project LEAD Institute to train breast cancer activists in the language, concepts, and processes they must understand to participate in breast cancer research. More than 2,500 advocates have completed the program to date.



2010: NBCC launches the Artemis Project®, an innovative, advocate-led collaborative research effort seeking solutions to stop people from getting and dying from breast cancer. These collaborations have resulted in a preventive vaccine that will soon enter a Phase I clinical trial.



2017: NBCC launches the DNA.Land project to develop a large-scale genetic database for breast cancer research.



2018: NBCC introduces the Metastatic Breast Cancer Access to Care Act to waive the lengthy waiting periods for SSDI and Medicare that eligible people with metastatic breast cancer face.



2024: NBCC advocates secure 272 House cosponsors in support of the Metastatic Breast Cancer Access to Care Act — a record number for the bill.



2025: Created in response to NBCC advocacy, the Department of Defense Breast Cancer Research Program's cumulative investment in breast cancer research reaches nearly \$4.5 billion.



2025: The Biden White House honored NBCC President Fran Visco with the Presidential Citizens Medal, the second-highest civilian award in the US, for her lifelong advocacy.



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PETER MORTON

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in this evening of
song and celebration.



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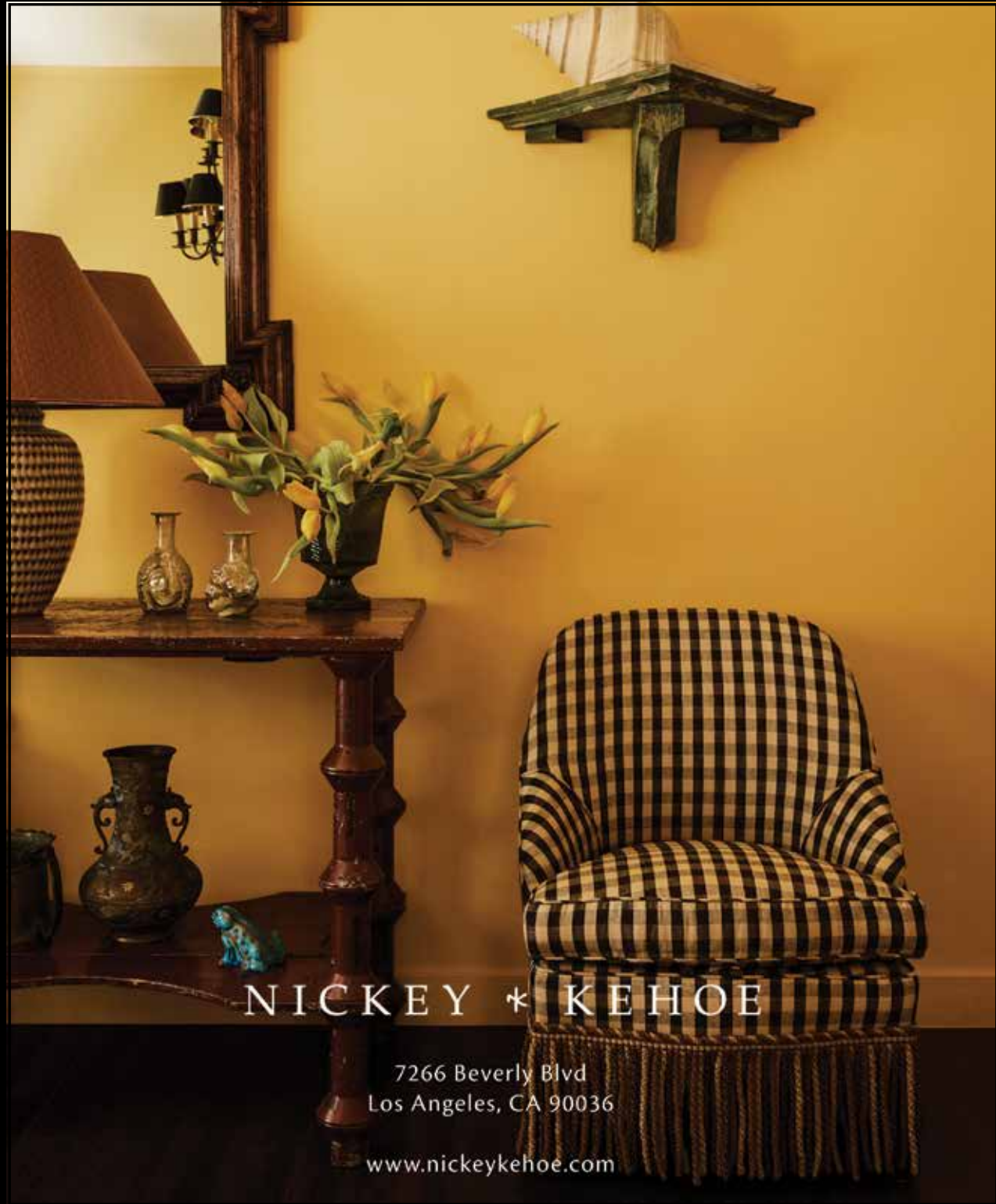
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and extraordinary leadership.

Linda and Kenneth Rothweiler

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Dear Linda,

Thank you for your work to
raise money to help fight this
insidious disease!

*Your friends,
Jodie & Steven Fishman*

Linda and Steve,

Kudos for all you do for NBCC

Keep up the great work

Love,

Debbie and Rick Powell



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Thank you, National Breast Cancer Coalition, for the important work you do to end breast cancer through meaningful action and advocacy. You give us more than you can imagine.

– Lynda and Stewart Resnick

*Thank you Fran
and NBCC for all your
hard work and dedication!*

Brit Shaw and Blake Johns

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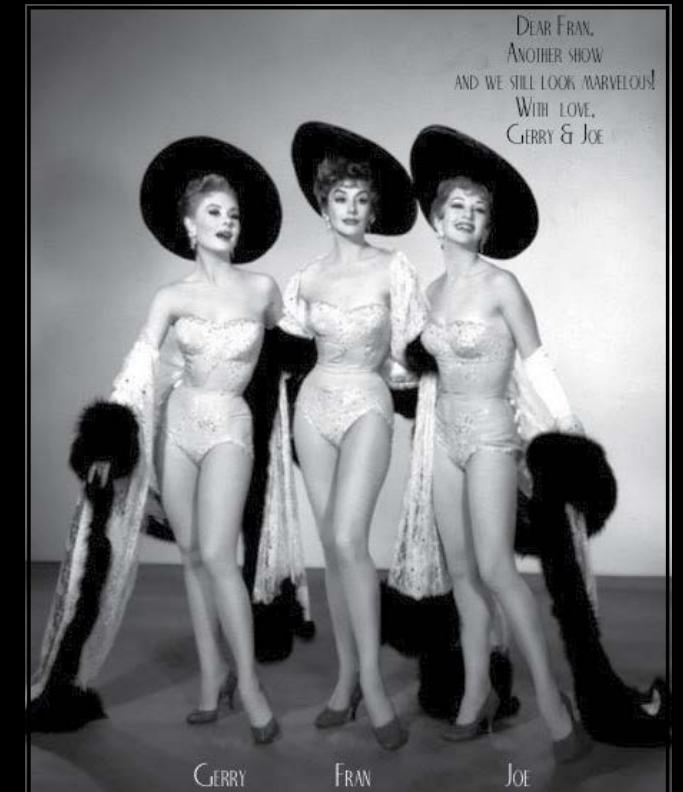
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NBCC will never
give up the fight
against breast cancer!
Thank you Fran Visco
for your guidance,
leadership
and friendship.

We are gonna do this!

Sherry Goldman



Joe Keenan,

*Your remarkable generosity in sharing your talent,
wit, and creativity leaves us in awe.
We feel so lucky to have the opportunity to
experience your gifts.*

*With heartfelt gratitude,
NBCC and the Les Girls Committee*

Alec and Bryan,

We are immensely grateful for your unwavering commitment to NBCC. Your generosity and friendship shine brightly, and we cannot thank you enough for your support.

Your compassion and kindness are unmatched, and we sincerely appreciate everything you do. You are an invaluable part of our journey, and we are so grateful to have you by our side.

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Andrew,

We truly appreciate your dedication
and the countless efforts you've put into
supporting the success of Les Girls.
Your commitment means so much to us.
Thank you, NBCC



Allison,

*Your amazing talent for putting
together such a fantastic event is
truly appreciated! Thank you
for all your hard work!*

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We extend our deepest gratitude to our incredible Les Girls and Guys performers. Your commitment and hard work are invaluable, and we truly couldn't have done this without your talent and dedication.

Thank you for making Les Girls unforgettable!



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Lee Martino

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